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Applicant: TSUKUI et al. Examiner: ARGENBRIGHT, T.
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c))

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. The references were recently cited in a European Search Report mailed 11 November 2005.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits or a first Office Action after filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but before the mailing date of: i) a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113; ii) a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311; or iii) an action that otherwise closes prosecution on the application. A check for the amount of \$180.00 for the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p) is enclosed herewith.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of all foreign document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. Since this application is being filed after June 30, 2003, copies of US references are not enclosed herewith.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)):

English abstracts are provided for the following references: JP 2002-256896, JP 58-35244, JP 7-150982, JP 2002-256895, and JP 2002-256900.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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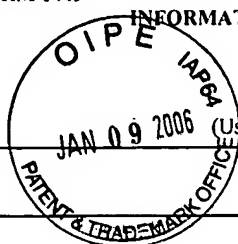
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	5 957 108	28 Sept. 1999	KATO				
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	JP 2002-256896	11 Sept. 2002	Japan			Abstract	
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